small scale model, is controlled so easily tributary. At the rudder the man was is at once attracted by its peculiar exactness that its adoption would ren- wherever he wanted to go. der the position of any vessel in hostile of the inventor, were treated to a practical illustration of its working recently in Sydney. One man, in a perfectly seat the telescope, and by simply turning and elevating or depressing the same,

ously. The only personal effort is that the bearing indicated electrically has to be submitted to trigonometrical calcu- attached or detached by a simple mech- by a blind girl, to whom I had handed lation, which, by means of an arrangement of triangular rules, is done in a few seconds, and the gun placed on its proper alignment.

ing his invention .- New York Sun.

Tornadoes and cyclones were scarce tor of the Autonaut, this spring because it was so uniformly

this section through March, April, May and in June, because the sun in moving to the north carries warm air with

about the half way mark, influences power.

'Now that the air has become thoroughly heated there will be no tornadoes. It grew hot so suddenly that the usual rushing about of the currents of The crew would arrive at the spot air did not occur, but that peculiarity where they are wanted in excellent conhas not yet been quite explained. There will be local thunderstorms of more or less severity, but no tornadoes."

dition and would be of much more help to a shipwrecked crew than now, when they arrive after dreadful and often use-

he recalls only one year in which torhe recalls only one year in which tornadoes were so scarce. There has not been a single big windstorm in this vicinity this season. - Kansas City Star.

When viewed through a good telescope, the planet presents a most beauand capped at the poles with a bluish ring, likewise of a golden hue. As if

markings can be discerned on the belts, trade winds. It seems very probable that these clouds may be mostly aquepended in the air at present because the surface is not yet sufficiently cool to alof water upon it.-Clifton A. Howes in Popular Science Monthly.

A Stupid Jury. a woman who confessed to murdering her 4-year-old child after torturing it atrociously for months was acquitted, the jury explaining afterward that they thought the effect of the acquittal would be to send the accused to penal servitude for life. The people of Epinal tried to lynch the woman and the jury.

Warwickshire's Ducking Stools.

public notice. The Warwick town couninstrument of punishment which visitchamp church there are familiar with. the next room, where a loaded pistol kenilworth also possesses a well proserved ducking stool which is said to it down, he shot his now dangerous pet have been in use as a means of bringing through the head. scolds to a reasonable frame of mind so long ago as the period when Elizabeth graced Earl Leicester's castle with her presence and before the Amy Robsart tired. The idea of a "withering glanca!" legend became in all way associated As if any one could be withered by a with the building .- Westminster Ga- mere look.

Spiteful.

Mabel-Mr. Sweetser tells me I am the only woman in the world he cares anything about.

Edith-I suppose he doesn't class have, Mr. Montrosa. May Golding among women. I know he always calls her an angel. - Boston -Detroit Free Press.

BOAT WITH FINS.

fwiftly Propelled by the Action of the Four Characteristics of the Little Drun

Tourists at Naples this spring have of very great military value has been perfected by A. U. Alcock of the Ausseaward whenever the sea was rough, seaward whenever the sea was rough, Little Drummer of the Woods," giving and particularly when the treacherous much curious information concerning sirocco sent the turbulent waves spray- the woodpecker. Mr. Chapman says: worked by electric currents, for finding the position of vessels in the vicinity of th a fort.

The resources of the world in this respect up to the present have been limited to two or three appliances. One, known as the Watkin position finder. works only within certain lines. There there was no sail, no smokestack was are of equal length and cut squarely is another system, known as Fiske, but visible, no wheel, no screw, no boiler, off at the tip. It is, therefore, like a this, besides being limited in range of no engine—none of the metal parts un- wedge or chisel. operation, is cumbrous and slow in application. The new invention, as far as its application has been illustrated, a

kindly explained the simple and exceed-ingly elever invention, which he has see has a series of barbs on both sides. in Sydney. One man, in a perfectly secure position on shore, can sit or stand the decree and by simily turning the talescope and by simily turning which is to be introduced both in the doubtless been pricked by the bird's German and Austrian navies. The for- tail feathers, each feather being stiff, in accordance with the motions of a vessel, can cause to be indicated on vided with vertical steel rods. At the of the larger woodpeckers—the pileated disks, placed one to each gun in a fort, the exact range and bearing of the vessel from each gun.

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end of these steel rods, which are diplometers and ivorybill, for instance—have this ped in the sea, wedge shaped plates of singular kind of tail feather highly desprise the rods and ivorybill, for instance—have this ped in the sea, wedge shaped plates of singular kind of tail feather highly desprise the rods.

The main stem or shaft of the rods and ivorybill, for instance—have this ped in the sea, wedge shaped plates of spring steel of great firmness are fas-spring steel of great firmness are set from each gun.

The means of communication between telescope and indicator is wire, along which an electric current flows, the current being set in motion as each part and in the point set in motion as each part and inward and is the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the movement of the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as soon as the property being set in motion as current being set in motion as soon as the telescope begins to move. The first waves, they act like the fins of a fish feather with the flat tail feather of a movement shows the range of the vessel, and, by the switching of an arm, waves alone furnish the power, for in in form. the hand on the same dial is made to perfectly still water the mere pitching The wings do not impress us as in show the bearing, the whole thing be- of the vessel will result in a forward any way unusual. They are neither ing done automatically and instantane-

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"When the upper and lower layers of the locomotion of the finny tribe. After air are at nearly the same relative tem- many years' experiments, calculations perature all over the country, there is and improvements his last boat, which little danger of tornadoes," says Mr. is 18 feet long, has recently run against Connor. "They are usually frequent in a strong wind and tide in the gulf of Naples at the rate of 316 miles an hour. The steel fins were together about ten square feet in size, and he has by experiments established the best size to colder atmosphere, causes conditions such as cyclones and tornadoes. This be about one-third of the surface upon which the boat is resting. The fins, year, however, the continued cold of which were first made of several layers ther preliminaries papers and other oustrations.

"If I were to go behind the mere fact of the temperature as a reason I might say the lack of storms was due to planetary position; that some people believe that these months prevented the usual dem- of thin spring steel, are now wrought combustibles were piled under the desks to planetary position; that some people believe that the 11 year period of sun spots, in which we have now reached about the literature of the period of sun spots, in which we have now reached about the literature of the literat

the conditions, in that atmospheric dis- No matter how little wind, the tide turbance is supposed to result as the movement alone is sufficient to impart White House in the hope perchance of end of the period is approached. It might be due to any or all of these things, but I can't say; it might not be

The greatest field of the Linden boat,

The greatest field of the Linden boat, timable, is in the use of life saving apparatus which has to travel short distances in almost always heavy weather. dition and would be of much more help In the seven years that Observer Con- less efforts against the overwhelming

Senator Pettus' Prophecy.

This is a story that an Alabamian tells about Senator Pettus and ex-Senator Pugh: "During Mr. Cleveland's first administration Mr. Pettus was anxious to fill the place on the supreme court bench to which Senator Lamar scope, the planet presents a most court bench to which centred tiful sight—a huge golden ball, crossed was afterward appointed. He applied by parallel belts of a brownish tinge, to his friend Senator Pugh, and the latter made an earnest and sincere apor greenish gray, and, most wonderful peal for the appointment of Mr. Pettus. of all, surrounded by a thin, broad, flat the president inquired as to the age of Pettus, and when informed said he was this were not enough, it is accompanied too old. Senator Pugh communicated by a retinue of at least eight satellites this fact to Pettus, and also suggested or moons, some of which will be in the to another eminent but younger lawyer in his state to apply for the place, as it Under very favorable conditions faint was a settled fact that a southern man would surely succeed to the vacancy. which seem in every way similar to Senator Pettus heard of Senator Pugh's those of Jupiter, and like his may safe-letter to the other friend, and it made ly be assumed to be masses of rolling him mad. Coming to Washington, he clouds ranged in belts parallel to the equator by currents analogous to our did not stand cut for him. Pugh explained that Mr. Cleveland would not alter his determination about not apous, and we may thus regard them as pointing a man of Pettus' age, but this the future oceans of these planets, sus- did not satisfy Pettus. Before leaving Pugh Pettus said, 'Well, I may be too old to sit on the supreme bench of the low them to settle and remain as bodies | land, but I am not too old to sit in the senate, and your seat will just about fit He succeeded Senator Pugh on the 4th France is shocked by a miscarriage of occupies the identical seat which Pugh justice due to a stupid jury. At Epinal occupied during a former term. Senator Pugh was 77 last December. Sena

tor Petius is 76."-Washington Post. Strange Domestic Pets. Mr. Hutchison, while British resident at Kumassi, had a panther presented to him by the king of Ashanti. This animal he succeeded in taming and transformed from a forest terror into a domestic pet. Charles James Fox Warwickshire boasts the possession of had a young tiger which showed great a larger number of ducking stools than affection for him, until one day, while any other English county, and two of licking its master's hand, it scraped off the oldest have just been brought into the skin. At the first taste of blood its dormant instincts returned, and its meanings. cil have carefully repaired the curious glaring eyes revealed to Mr. Fox his danger. Without attempting to remove ors to the crypt of the famous Beau- his hand he led it by gentle words into

Jabsley-These novelists make me

Wickwire-You are young yet, Jabsley You never stepped on your wife's train at a ball. "-Pearson's Weekly.

Easily Done. She-What a beautiful name you He-You like it, my lady? Take it. THE WOODPECKER.

There is an article by Frank M. Chapman in St. Nicholas on "The

and swiftly and is worked with such calmly scated directing the little shell shape. We discover that it is remarkably long, and when fully extended What was driving the little boat reaches almost if not quite an inch beder the position of any vessel in nostile waters one of exceptional danger. A number of military men, on invitation of the inventor, were treated to a practice of the zeological station at Naples, and has a sharp, horny point, and has a sharp horny point, and h

Admiral Cockburn's British Soldiers Lont-

ed and Fired the Public Buildings. "The last glimmer of twilight was fading away when (after the battle at Washington) into the well nigh desertwrites Clifford Howard in The Ladies Secretary Linden first conceived the Home Journal of the invasion and burning of our national capital by the Britvictory over a force nearly twice as large as their own and thirsting for spoils, the red coated soldiers marched triumphantly toward the capitol. Discharging their firearms at the windows the soldiers burst in the doors and with M. E. SELBY, of Va., with a shout of triumph carried their leader to the speaker's chair, from which, with mock gravity, he put the question, 'Shall this harbor of the Yankee democnoble edifice that had been in course of construction more than 20 years and containing the library of congress and

work of plunder, a howling crowd of the desperate marauders hurried to the distinguished captives by a ruthless destruction of the furniture, they raided the larder and regaled themselves with a hastily prepared feast in the state dining room. Then, destroying the remaining provisions and breaking and mutilating whatever they could readily lay their hands on, they concluded their visit by setting fire to the home of the president. Numerous other public and private buildings were also destroyed

A Carpet Knight. The following carious definitions of a carpet knight were recently given in an English examination: "One who received his knighting upon the field of the cloth of gold,""a knight who stood on a carpet and had another thrown over him while being knighted," "the common black beetle, which, when squashed, resembles all the different shades of a brussels carpet," "a knight which sleeps on a carpet," "a man like, for instance, Sir X. & Co., who is one of the best carpet makers, and because he did make them so well he was

make a knight." A shot was said to go off "because the sudden slock in a sort of way frightens the bullet." And it was declared that a dog turns around several times before settling down to sleep "to make sure he is not sitting on any un pleasant object, such as a black beetle,

A Good Guess of Long Ago. During the American Revolution an English magazine published an estimate of the North American colonies. Placing the population then at 2,000,000 and assuming that it would double itself every 25 years, the writer estimated me.' Pettus was as good as a prophet. that in the year 1890 the number would have increased to 64,000,000. This may of March last, and if I am not mistaken be taken as a most remarkable prophecy, inasmuch as the census of 1890 fixes the total population at 62,622,250.

> Angelie Temperament. "He is good natured, is he?"
> "Good natured! Why, I have known

that man to wear a smiling face when he was speaking of taking off a porous plaster. "-Boston Traveler.

in despair in learning to speak the English language. One of the greatest diffi-

"You'll get run in," said the peder trian to the wheelman without a light. "You'll get run into," savagely responded the cyclist as he knocked the pedestrian down and ran up his spine. "You'll get run in, too," said the policeman at he stepped from behind a

tree and grabbed the wheel. And just then another scorcher came along without a light, so the policeman ran in two. - Exchange.

At the beginning of the present cen-tury the Bible could be studied by only one-fifth of the earth's population. Now it is translated into languages with make it accessible to nine-tenths of the world's inhabitants.

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